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abandoned, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/092,977, filed July 16, 1993, abandoned, which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/017,931, filed February 12, 1993, abandoned, and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/292,597, filed August 18, 1994, U.S. Pat. No. 5,834,266 which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/179,143, filed January 7, 1994, abandoned, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/093,499, filed Jul. 16, 1993 abandoned. The contents of each of these applications is hereby incorporated by referenced into the present disclosure. The full contents of related cases PCT/US94/01617, PCT/US94/01660 and PCT/US94/08008 are also incorporated by reference into the present disclosure. ✓

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✓ Dimerization and oligomerization of proteins are general biological control mechanisms that contribute to the activation of cell membrane receptors, transcription factors, vesicle fusion proteins, and other classes of intra- and extracellular proteins. We have developed a general procedure for the regulated (inducible) dimerization or oligomerization of intracellular proteins. ✓

A marked-up version of the amended paragraphs is provided below.

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**Related Applications**

This application is a continuation-in-part of and claims priority to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/157,753, filed September 16, 1998, which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/388,653, filed February 14, 1995, U.S. Pat. No. 5,869,337 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/196,043, filed February 11, 1994, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/179,748, filed January 7, 1994, abandoned, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/092,977, filed July 16, 1993, abandoned, which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application